

Food and Labor Are Nation's Topics

Passage of Housing Bill Spurs Building Program; Hoover Asks World to Join in Famine Fight

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FAMINE: Hoover Reports

Back from his globe-girdling famine survey, former Pres. Herbert Hoover called for additional voluntary food conservation on the part of Americans and also declared that the co-operation of Russia and South American states would greatly assist in tiding hungry areas over the critical pre-harvest period.

Though stating that he saw no instances of actual starvation on his global whirl, Hoover was quick to add that available food supplies were at a dangerous low in many countries and famine would result if supplies were not replenished.

Even after trimming requests of some countries, Hoover declared that over 14 million tons of food were needed until the next harvest, with the United Kingdom requiring 2,600,000 tons; France, 1,750,000 tons; Germany, 1,370,000 tons; Italy, 775,000 tons; Poland, 340,000 tons; Czechoslovakia, 290,000 tons; Belgium, 200,000 tons; Greece, 275,000 tons; Yugoslavia, 250,000 tons; Spain, 240,000 tons; Austria, 225,000 tons; the Indian ocean area, 2,886,000 tons and China and Japan, 870,000 tons each.

In asking Russia to share some of its surplus grain and calling upon South American countries to step up deliveries, Hoover said the U. S. shipment of 450 million bushels of wheat during this crop year is an unparalleled achievement. In all, the U. S. is expected to provide 4,220,000 tons of cereals; Canada, 2,300,000; Australia, 992,000; Argentina, 2,375,000; Russia, 300,000, plus lesser amounts from the United Kingdom, Brazil, Burma and Siam. Hoover's announcement of world food needs followed close upon the department of agriculture's prediction that continuing drought in the Great Plains states would cut winter wheat production by 88 million bushels under the April 1 estimate. The crop now is set at 742,887,000 bushels.

INDIA: Seek Compromise

As a result of the collapse in negotiations for Indian independence because of Moslem demands for a separate state, the British delegation's statement on further steps to be taken for resolving the deadlock was expected to provide a basis for continuing discussions.

In originally making its offer for Indian independence, the British government had declared that Moslem demands for a separate state should not block plans for free-

HOUSING: Get Going

Welcoming final passage of the veterans' housing measure designed to push construction of 2,700,000 new homes by 1947, Housing Expediter Wilson Wyatt cheerfully exclaimed: "The . . . program now can be thrown into full gear."

Worked out by house and senate conferees, who labored to draw up a common bill from two different pieces of legislation, the measure represented a victory for the administration forces in that it provides subsidies of 400 million dollars to increase the production of building materials. Earlier opposed by the house, the subsidies later were approved on the strength of administration arguments that such payments would boost the flow of construction supplies without increasing the cost of new homes.

In addition to the subsidy provision, the new housing bill authorizes the government to increase home mortgage lending by one billion dollars; extends priorities and allocation power to channel materials into low-cost and medium-priced residences to December 31, 1947; establishes preference for vets in purchasing or renting new structures; gives the housing expediter broad authority to order changes in material pricing regulations, and empowers him to limit the export of lumber as long as scarcities exist in this country.

DRAFT: O. K. Extension

Allowed only hours in which to act to prevent the extinction of the selective service act, the senate accepted stiff house amendments to the draft calling for cessation of inductions of fathers and teenagers.

Passage of the measure extending selective service until July 1 resulted from rapid-fire congressional action in the midst of senate deliberations over approval of the multi-billion dollar British loan and restrictive labor legislation. With the senate pausing in its discussion of these issues to o.k. existing draft legislation until July 1 to beat the expiration deadline, the house took advantage of the time element to dilute the draft and force its remittance to the upper chamber for reconsideration.

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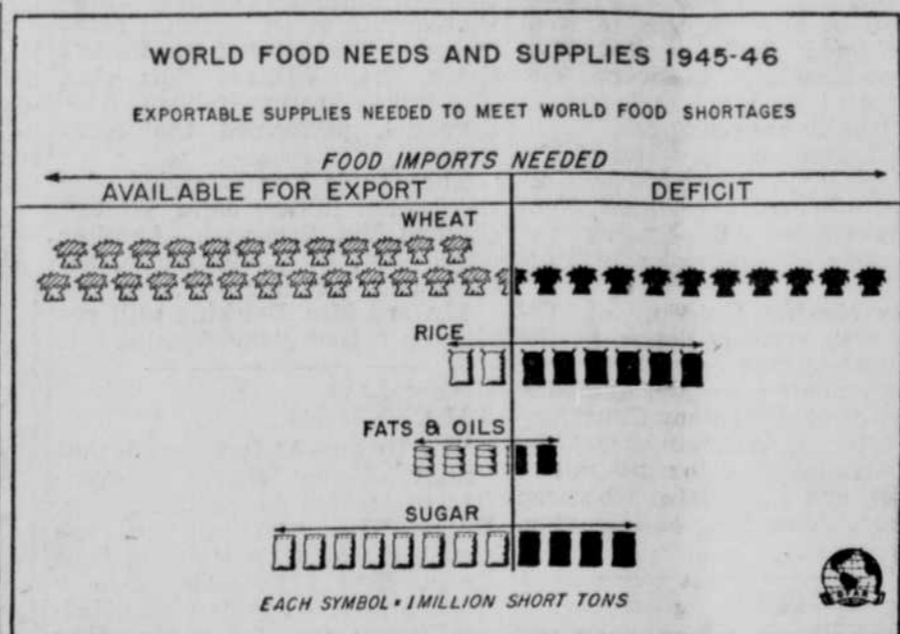
Taft Looms as 1948 GOP Hope

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Along about June of any election year, when a lot of simple souls are thinking about moonlight and roses, electric fans, and where to go for a summer vacation, a lot of longer-range planners are wondering about next winter's coal supply, harvest time, and many other things a lot further away than the fly on your nose. Among these are the politicians.

It's a great time to lean back in a chair in the Senate office building or thereabouts, open another bottle of White Rock, light another seegar, and burble on about what's going to happen come November, and, still more intriguing, to prognosticate on presidential possibilities.

It's fun for the newcomers because it's so easy for them to predict, in the light of what's happen-



DIPLOMACY: On Dollar Basis

Having used its great material resources to balance the scales for allied military victory over the axis, the U. S. now is acting to employ its tremendous wealth for the stabilization of political conditions abroad to promote free exchange between nations.

Popularly known as "dollar diplomacy," the administration's first open application of the policy in the postwar period was to Poland and China, where Communist influence has been strong and shaped to serve Russia's political and economic interests.

In the case of Poland, the U. S. suspended a \$90 million dollar credit to the Soviet-sponsored Warsaw government on charges that it had violated its pledge to increase freedom of movement within the country. First, the U. S. said that the government had censored an American reporter's dispatch regarding a critical speech made by a Peasant party leader, and second, it had failed to publish terms of the U. S. credit providing for political freedom in Poland.

Taken back by the U. S. action, the Polish embassy in Washington declared that it could categorically deny that any censorship existed in Poland, and explained that the terms of the loan had not arrived in Warsaw in time to permit their publication up to the time of the U. S. credit cancellation.

Meanwhile, Gen. George C. Marshall was given full control over a proposed half billion dollar loan to China in his efforts to weld the Nationalist and Communist forces together into a central government and create a unified country.



Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the British Council, who visited Washington on a food mission, is shown with Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

UNRRA:

Seeking to prevent death-dealing rinderpest among surviving cattle and water buffalo herds of China, one million doses of a new type vaccine were flown by the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration to Shanghai as a gift of the U. S. and Canada.

Emphasizing the significance of the gift, UNRRA Director LaGuardia declared every water buffalo or bullock saved for the plow means the assurance of that much more food for the needy.

spite the good impression he made on his speaking tour before the last convention . . . what with the leftist look in so many veterans' eyes.

Bricker has a staunch and solid conservative following. But it is a little too solidly conservative. Taft could hardly be called a radical. In fact, his political garden has never produced even a pale and lonely pink. On the other hand, his supporters prudently can point to many a constructively liberal measure which has had his blessing.

Only the other day, I was talking with an ardent administration official who has been battling for a measure badly battered by conservatives of both political stripes. I asked him if he could expect to retrieve in the senate a certain provision in his legislation, lost in the house.

"Oh, yes," he answered, "Bob Taft will go along on that."

And Taft has a good liberal record on such mass-appeal measures as housing.

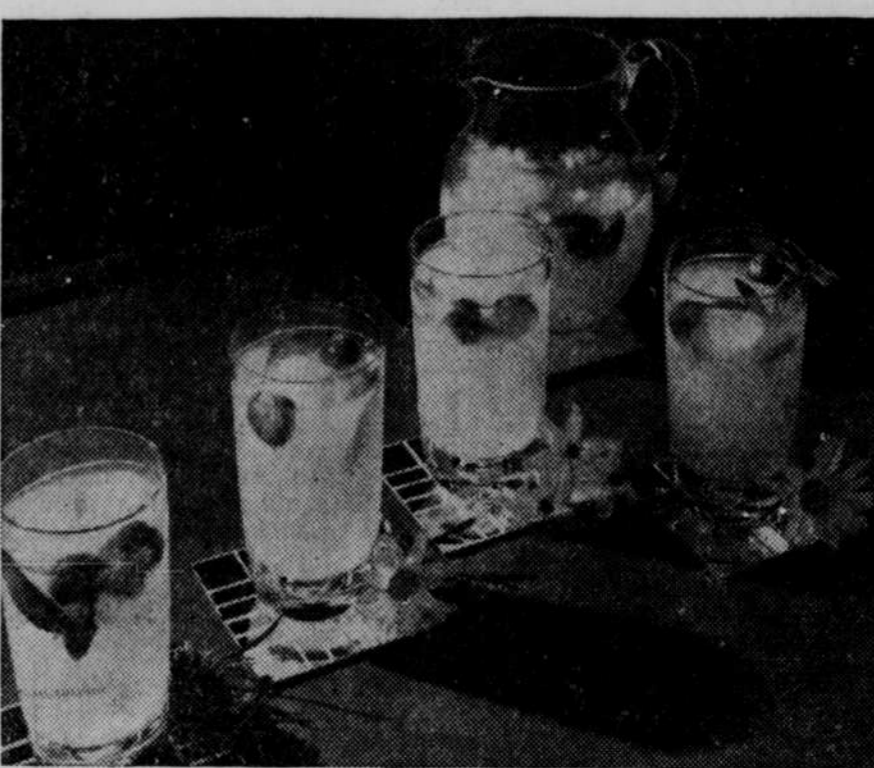
The Republicans don't have to deal with the old-line bosses to the extent that the Democrats do and in two of the larger cities where the Republican machine is vital—Philadelphia and Cincinnati—everything would be jake so far as Taft is concerned. He, himself, is kingpin in his home state organization . . . and Mr. Pew, who makes the Republican wheels go round in Pennsylvania, wanted Taft in '40 and '44. It is to be presumed he'll feel the same in '48.

This doesn't eliminate other brilliant possibilities, including Messrs. Stassen and Vandenberg.

Mr. Vandenberg has done a lot of the molding himself. This could work both ways. On the one hand the energy and devotion with which Mr. Vandenberg has applied himself to foreign affairs, and the powerful influence he has exerted, have greatly increased his silhouette on the international horizon. On the other hand, these activities, both in quantity and quality, have taken him far afield from the usual political approach to a Republican presidential nomination.

It may be there is a niche in the making that would need a man of his proportion to fill but one Democrat said to me the other day: "Sometimes it looks as if Van would rather be right than President."

HOUSEHOLD MEMOS by Lynn Chambers



When Weather Is Sizzling, Try Mint Ade
(See Recipes Below)

Refreshing Drinks

For a simple meal at home, for that brief stop in the afternoon when you want to relax and cool off, or for a light company snack, there's nothing quite like the cool, frosty drink.

Whether you are a husky eater or a dainty snacker, you'll want to keep these refreshing recipes on file for these hot, summer months.

One woman I know keeps cool drink ingredients on a special corner in the pantry so the beverages can be ready at a moment's notice. She also keeps dainty cookies on hand so there's always refreshments if company comes or if the children get especially hungry before dinner.

Cool drinks can fortify the diet with both vitamins and minerals if you use eggs, milk and fruit or berries. But not only will they be a toast to health, for they provide that restful relaxation that is so essential to well-being.

If you want to get fancy with beverages, make colorful ice cubes by using fruit juice and water in the ice tray. Or, drop bits of leftover fruit in the ice trays before freezing.

Glasses can be garnished with mint leaves, lemon or orange slices, puffs of whipped cream or meringue. The rims may also be dipped in beaten egg and a bit of sugar to give them that delightful, frosty look.

For beverages that add nourishment as well as sparkle, consider these milk, egg and fruit drinks. See that the children get some of them often:

Fruit Float.

(Serves 4)

- 2 eggs, well beaten
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 cup raspberries or strawberries
- Juice of 1 orange
- Juice of 2 lemons
- Cracked ice

Combine eggs, salt, water, sugar and berries. Mix to dissolve sugar. Add orange juice and lemon juice. Beat or shake thoroughly. Pour into tall glasses half filled with cracked ice. Garnish with a few whole berries.



LYNN CHAMBERS' MENUS

- Baked Corned Beef with Mustard Sauce
- Potatoes with Cheese Sauce
- Horseshoe Salad
- Salad Bowl of Tomatoes, Celery, Mixed Greens, Radishes
- Soft Rolls Beverage
- Raspberry Short Cake

- Milk and Honey Nectar. (Serves 1)
- 1/2 cup mashed banana
- 1 1/2 tablespoons orange juice
- 1 1/2 tablespoons honey
- 1 drop almond extract
- Pinch of salt
- 1 cup milk

Mash banana. Add fruit juice, honey, salt and flavoring. Mix well. When ready to serve, add cold milk and beat with egg beater. Garnish with whipped cream and serve immediately.

- Pineapple Mint Punch. (Serves 6)
- 3 cups cold milk
- 2 cups cold pineapple juice
- 3/4 cup coffee cream
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice
- Pinch of salt
- 12 drops peppermint extract

Combine all ingredients in a shaker or beat with egg beater until foamy. Pour into tall glass; garnish with a mint sprig and serve immediately.

For the adult crowd, there are an entirely different set of beverages which are certain to delight. Both of these have coffee as a base. Do not use leftover-from-morning coffee, but make it fresh.

Brazilian Chocolate.

(Serves 4)

- 2 squares unsweetened chocolate
- 1 cup strong coffee
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- Dash of salt
- 3 cups milk

Add chocolate to coffee in top of double boiler and place over a low flame, stirring until chocolate is melted and blended. Add sugar to salt and boil 4 minutes, stirring constantly. Place over boiling water. Add milk gradually, stirring constantly. Heat, then beat with rotary beater until frothy. Cool. Pour over cracked ice and top with whipped cream.

Iced Coffolate.

(Makes 1 quart)

- 1/2 cup ground coffee
- 6 cloves
- 1 1/4-inch stick of cinnamon
- Dash of salt
- 4 cups milk
- 2 squares unsweetened chocolate
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 egg, well beaten

Add coffee, spices and salt to milk and heat in double boiler until scalded. Strain and return to double boiler. Add chocolate and heat until it melts. Mix sugar and flour and add gradually to chocolate and cook and stir until thickened. Then cook 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Cool slightly; pour over egg and blend. Chill. Pour over ice.

Mint Ade.

(Serves 6)

- 1/2 cup white corn syrup
- 1/2 cup water
- 6 stalks fresh mint
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 No. 2 can grapefruit juice
- 2 cups gingerale

Boil corn syrup and water together for 3 minutes. Remove tips from mint and crush stalks into the hot syrup. Add tips and let stand for 30 minutes. Strain. Add lemon juice and grapefruit juice. Chill thoroughly. Pour over ice in tall glasses and just before serving add gingerale. Garnish with additional mint and whole strawberries, if desired.

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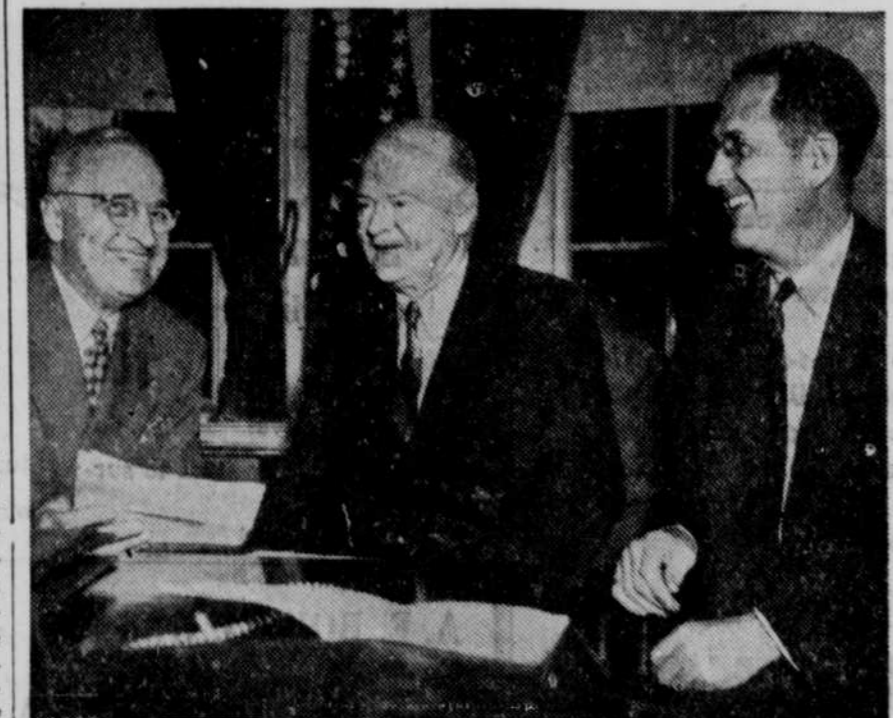
dom. However, the insistence of the Moslems under M. A. Jinnah for their own state portended an outbreak of violence if refused and led the British mission into formulating a compromise acceptable to both parties.

Against the Moslem demand for a separate state called Pakistan, the Hindus led by Jawaharlal Nehru, faithful Gandhi disciple, had held out for a strong central authority for the whole country in foreign affairs, defense, communications and finance.

LABOR: Busy President

Coal strikes, rail strikes and, demands of labor and industry are heavy burdens on President Truman these days. If one threatening strike is settled, another one is threatened, or breaks out. Labor and industry are in an all-out battle, and the President is caught in between them with the great mass of American people clamoring for action. Congress, too, is finding the seats on Capitol Hill steadily growing warmer. The OPA and the British loan were no small worries either.

The pressure of the United Mine Workers, the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organization, on the President was matched by the manufacturers, mine operators, railroad owners and big business and industry in general. Lights burn late in the White House, and daily visitors to the President are greater than ever before! The people of the United States have a busy President. And when all the present strikes are settled, negotiations for new contracts will begin again next fall.



HOOPER AND TRUMAN . . . President Truman devoted attention to the report of Herbert Hoover, on his findings in a globe-circling investigation of famine conditions. Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson is shown with them.